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MEMORANDUM

TO: Air Pollution Control and Air Quality Management Districts

FROM: Jack Kitowski, Chief
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Mobile Source Control Division

DATE: September 16, 2005

SUBJECT: Solicitation for Applications to Receive Funding from the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program

This memo solicits applications from air districts that wish to receive funding from the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program (Carl Moyer Program). For fiscal year (FY) 2005/2006 (Year 8), the California Legislature authorized \$ 84.9 million for project funding for the Carl Moyer Program. The attachment to this memo provides a brief description of the program, detailed application instructions, and an application form. The attached charts (Tables 1 and 2) show the tentative funding allocations for Year 8 funds. Final allocations will be made based on the number of qualified districts that apply.

All districts participating in the program will also receive an allocation for program administration and outreach. These funds will total about two percent of the program allocation funds. In addition, the match requirement for districts requesting only the minimum allotment of \$200,000 has been waived provided the district meets qualification commitments. To qualify for the waiver, the appropriate district official must sign and return the "Certification of District Resources" (included in the attachments) with the completed application.

All air districts are asked to respond to this solicitation by November 18, 2005. All districts should take one of the following three actions:

- **Declining the Funds** - Districts that are not prepared to participate in the Carl Moyer Program at this time should complete numbers 1, 2 and 5 of the application following the application instructions. If an application is not submitted to ARB by November 18, 2005, ARB will assume that the district is not interested and will not include the district in the final allocation of Year 8 Carl Moyer Program funds.

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- **Reserving the Funds** - Districts that are prepared to participate in the Carl Moyer Program and wish to reserve their allocation of funds, must submit an application (including the completed application form and match waiver/documentation). A board resolution must be submitted before April 30, 2006 for the district to be included in the final allocation of Carl Moyer Program funds by the close of the State's fiscal year. The District will also need to submit a program implementation plan for obligating the grant award, including, but not limited to, how the District will complete the tasks of outreach, solicitation, application processing, obligation and invoicing of funds, and monitoring. The plan must include a timeline for completing milestones for the identified tasks. Districts that have already submitted their implementation plan in previous years may submit just their timetable for implementation of the milestones and, if appropriate, changes the District is making to the local implementation of the Carl Moyer Program.
- **Applying for the Funds (with an initial disbursement in January 2006)** - Districts that are ready to participate in the Carl Moyer Program, and receive their initial disbursement in January 2006, must submit a complete application. A complete application includes the completed application form, match waiver/documentation, program implementation plan, and board resolution. Only districts that have submitted their FY 2004-2005 (Year 7) annual reports documenting the obligation of those funds are qualified to receive an initial disbursement in January 2006. Qualified districts should submit an application by November 18, 2005 for initial disbursement by January 2006.

April 30, 2006 is the deadline for acceptance of a grant award from Year 8 funds. Districts have more than one year (until June 30, 2007) to obligate funds and more than two years (until June 30, 2008) to expend the grant award. Any funds not expended by a district by June 30, 2008 are legislatively required to revert back to the Covered Vehicle Account. As such, any Year 8 funds that are not obligated by June 30, 2007 may be recaptured and reallocated to districts that can expend Year 8 funds by the June 30, 2008 deadline.

Please send your completed application to:

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Mobile Source Compliance Division
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Sacramento, California 95812

Attn: Ms. Stacey Dorais

Districts that must provide matching funds can commit funds for future projects or can utilize funds already committed to projects that meet the current Carl Moyer Guidelines. For the latter, the district must provide documentation of those projects using the FY 2004-2005 reporting spreadsheet. ARB must receive this documentation to process a district's application. **Districts should consider applying for more than the tentative allocation and committing more than the matching funds required by the current tentative allocations, should more state funds may become available for distribution.** Since the funding level for the statewide program is greater than \$25 million this fiscal year, district matching funds are currently capped at \$12 million.

The Carl Moyer Program Guidelines are available electronically on ARB's web site located at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/moyer/2003moyerguide.pdf>. For any questions about the application process, please contact Ms. Stacey Dorais, Associate Governmental Program Analyst, of my staff, at (916) 322-2383.

Attachments

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